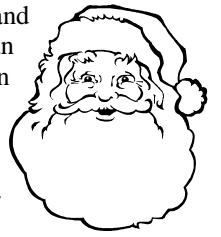


CALL FOR ENTRIES
2004 CHRISTMAS IN SAN ANTONIO ART CONTEST



An opportunity for school children and youth to use their artistic talents to win citywide recognition and cash prizes in the “Christmas in San Antonio” Student Art Contest is being sponsored by the City of San Antonio, Department of Parks and Recreation; The San Antonio Children’s Museum and the San Antonio Express-News.



What is the theme of the art contest? The theme is “Christmas in San Antonio”. Each piece of art entered must use this theme. Contestants should strive to capture their favorite parts of the fun, color and festive spirit of Christmas in San Antonio in their artwork.

Who is eligible to enter? The contest is open to all students in grades 4-12, who are enrolled in a public, parochial, private or home school that has a San Antonio physical mailing address. Students may not enter more than one design.

What are the categories?

1. Students in grades 4 and 5 are judged in the Elementary School Category.
2. Students in grades 6, 7 and 8 are judged in the Middle School Category.
3. Students in grades 9, 10, 11 and 12 are judged in the High School Category.



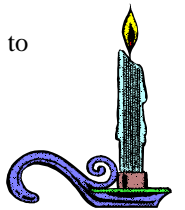
What is the entry deadline? Where should entries be mailed or taken?

All entries must be received in the office of the San Antonio Parks & Recreation Dept. by 4 p.m. on Friday, October 15, 2004. **Mail** entries to the Department of Parks and Recreation, 950 E. Hildebrand, San Antonio, TX 78212 or **bring** them to 1635 N.E. Loop 410, suite 700, San Antonio, TX 78209.

How will the winners be selected?

A qualified panel of judges will base their decisions on the following:

1. How well the “Christmas In San Antonio” theme is carried out. (The ability of the student to visually express the spirit of Christmas holiday in San Antonio).
2. Originality of design.
3. Quality of workmanship in the child’s age category.



What are the prizes?

There will be a total of \$450 in cash prizes. The entry selected as the Overall Winner will receive \$150. The winner in each category will receive \$50. Second place will receive \$30 and Third place receives \$20, plus plaques in each category.

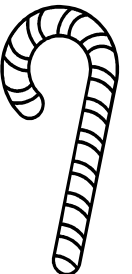


What will be done with the winning artwork?

The Overall Winner’s artwork will be used as the Christmas Card for the City of San Antonio. Selected artwork also will be displayed during the Christmas season at the San Antonio Children’s Museum.

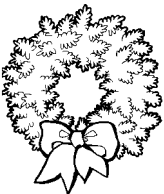
If a student wins, how will notification be handled? When will the prizes be presented?

The Parks and Recreation Department personnel will notify winners. No notification will be given to nonwinners. There will be a presentation of prizes to the winners in November in the San Antonio City Hall Council Chambers.



Are there any important rules?

Yes. You should know that rules are so important, that *any piece of art that breaks one or more rules will be disqualified. Do not enter any piece of art that does not conform to the rules.* These rules are not arbitrary. They have practical, technological reasons behind them. The rules ensure that the winning entries can be reproduced.



SEE RULES AND ENTRY FORM ON REVERSE SIDE OF THIS SHEET

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OFFICIAL RULES:

- 1. The artwork must be vertical. **Horizontal designs will be disqualified.**
- 2. The size of each piece of art must be 11” high and 8 ½” wide. It cannot be smaller or larger. No folding, bending or covers will be allowed.
- 3. No lettering, words or numbering will be allowed. Lettering, words or numbering will mean automatic disqualification. (This includes the artist’s signature and the words CHRISTMAS / SAN ANTONIO).
- 4. Do not use neon, metallic, glitters or fluorescent paint in the design.
- 5. No images done on a computer will be accepted.
- 6. **Do not** mount or mat the artwork. All artwork that is mounted or matted will be disqualified.
- 7. Do not use materials that will flake or fall off easily with handling.
- 8. Three-dimensional techniques (such as collage) *will not* be accepted. Do not use such materials as colored tissue, construction paper, fabric, glitter, sequins, confetti, etc. to create a design. Any artwork that uses materials that are normally attached with glue or paste (or sewn on) will be disqualified.
- 9. We encourage students to use any of the following materials in creating their artwork: Tempera or poster paint, felt-tip markers, oil pastel sticks, pastel chalk, acrylic paint, crayons, colored inks, watercolors and finger-paints. *No oils please.*
Hint: Teachers, please encourage your students to use “happy” or festive colors because the brighter and more intense the colors, the better they will reproduce in print. The judges must consider how well a piece will reproduce in their decision-making process.
- 10. We encourage students to do their artwork on such surfaces as standard, flexible posterboard, heavy drawing paper, or other sturdy types of paper. **No stiff, inflexible bristol or crescent board please.** We are discouraging the use of lightweight paper (such as bond paper, typing paper and notebook paper) that will wrinkle and buckle easily with a wet medium such as tempera paint.
- 11. Entry blanks must be **completely** and **legibly** filled out (please print or type) and securely attached to the back of the artwork.
- 12. **Each entry must be the original work of one student** and need not have been produced at school.
- 13. **Artwork** that has been submitted to other contests or that has been published elsewhere is not eligible for entry.
- 14. **All** entries become the property of the San Antonio Parks & Recreation Department if not picked up by January 20, 2005 and may be disposed of at that time.

Still Have Questions?

Call the Parks & Recreation Department at 207-3133 anytime between 7:45 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM “CHRISTMAS IN SAN ANTONIO” ART CONTEST

Attach this form securely to the back of entry. (Entry form may be mechanically reproduced or photocopied if additional copies are needed) Please type or print legibly. Entry deadline is 4:00 p.m., Friday October 15, 2004. All entries must be received by that time. Mail them to the Department of Parks & Recreation Department, 950 E. Hildebrand, San Antonio, TX 78212 **or** bring them to 1635 N.E. Loop 410, suite 700 San Antonio, TX 78209.

NAME OF STUDENT_____

HOME ADDRESS_____ZIP CODE_____

HOME PHONE_____PARENT’S WORK PHONE_____

AGE_____SCHOOL_____

SCHOOL DISTRICT (if it is a public school)_____

TEACHER’S NAME_____SCHOOL PHONE_____

CATEGORY: ☐ ELEMENTARY ☐ MIDDLE SCHOOL ☐ HIGH SCHOOL

I agree to the rules of the “Christmas In San Antonio” Art Contest, and understand that my artwork will become the property of the Department of Parks & Recreation.

Signature of Student Date

